

The Department of State acknowledges receipt of Note No. 62 of April 3, 2009, from the Embassy of the Republic of Kosovo, which reads as follows:

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For the purpose of this agreement,

"Dependents" shall include:

Spouses;

Unmarried dependent children under 21 years of age;

Unmarried dependent children under 23 years of age who are in

Full-time attendance as students at a post-secondary educational institution; and

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The Government of the Republic of Kosovo and the Government of the United States of America waive whatever fees might otherwise be charged in connection with the issuance of employment authorization identification or employment authorization permits.

The Kosovo Government and the United States Government wish to clarify their understanding that dependents who obtain employment under this agreement and who have immunity from jurisdiction of the receiving country in accordance with Article 31 of the Vienna Convention on the Diplomatic Relations or in accordance with the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, or any other applicable international agreement, have no immunity from civil and administrative jurisdiction with respect to matters arising out of such employment. Such dependents are also liable for payment of income and social security taxes on any remuneration received as a result of employment in the receiving state.

The Embassy of the Republic of Kosovo further proposes that, if these understandings are acceptable to the Government of the United States, this note and the Government of the United States' reply concurring therein shall constitute an agreement between our two governments which shall enter into force on the date of that reply note. This agreement shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of the written notification from either government to the other of intention to terminate.

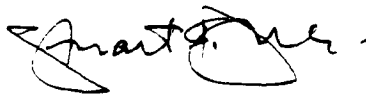
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The Department therefore informs the Embassy that the proposals contained in the Embassy's diplomatic note are acceptable to the Government of the United

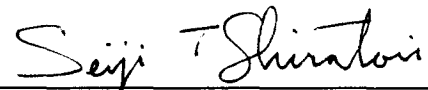
States and that, accordingly, the Embassy's note and this note in reply concurring therein shall constitute an agreement between the two Governments that shall enter into force on the date of this note, which shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of the written notification from either Government to the other of its intention to terminate the Agreement.

Department of State,

Washington, April 17, 2009.



True Copy
Original signed by Stuart Jones,
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May 06, 2009



The Embassy of the Republic of Kosovo Washington DC

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